

IN THE CLAIMS:

The status and content of each claim follows.

1. (cancelled)
2. (currently amended) A method of configuring a printing device ~~The method of claim 1, further comprising:~~
scanning data packets of [[said]] an incoming print job for [[said]] an identifier
identifying a client submitting said print job;
querying a database to determine the physical location of said client based on said
identifier;
querying [[a]] said database to obtain settings for said printing device associated with
said ~~identifier~~ physical location; and
configuring said printing device according to said settings associated with said
~~identifier~~ physical location.
3. (cancelled)
4. (original) The method of claim 2, wherein said configuring said printing device occurs automatically when a print job is received.
5. (original) The method of claim 2, wherein said scanning comprises searching header data for said identifier.

6. (original) The method of claim 2, further comprising storing said identifier in printing device memory.
7. (original) The method of claim 2, wherein said database is organized such that each identifier is associated with a set of printing device settings.
8. (currently amended) The method of claim 2, wherein said database is organized such that each identifier is associated with ~~a client~~ said physical location and a set of printing device settings.
9. (original) The method of claim 2, wherein said database is stored in printing device memory.
10. (original) The method of claim 2, wherein said database is stored on a network server.
11. (original) The method of claim 2, wherein said database is stored on a web server or Internet server.
12. (original) The method of claim 2, further comprising requiring authentication to access said database.
13. (original) The method of claim 8, wherein said database comprises a physical location corresponding to each identifier.

14. (original) The method of claim 13, wherein said physical location comprises a room number or floor number.
15. (currently amended) The method of ~~claim 1~~ claim 2, wherein said identifier comprises an IP address.
16. (currently amended) The method of ~~claim 1~~ claim 2, further comprising determining a group to which said ~~printing device~~ client belongs based on said identifier.
17. (original) The method of claim 16, further comprising configuring said printing device according to settings specified for members of said group.
18. (currently amended) A printing device comprising:
an input for receiving a print job; and
a print engine configured to produce a hardcopy from said print job;
wherein said printing device extracts an identifier from said print job and adjusts printing device configuration settings based on said identifier,
wherein said printing device configuration settings comprise any of a resolution setting, addition of a feature to be printed with said print job and combinations thereof.
19. (original) The printing device of claim 18, further comprising a database associating identifiers with printing device configuration settings.

20. (currently amended) The printing device of claim 18, further comprising a database associating identifiers with ~~printing device source~~ source locations and ~~printing device source~~ source locations with printing device configuration settings.

21. (original) The printing device of claim 19, wherein said database is stored in a memory unit of said printing device.

22. (currently amended) The printing device of claim 19, wherein said database is stored on a network server communicatively connected to said printing device.

23. (currently amended) The printing device of claim 19, wherein said database is stored on a web server or Internet server communicatively connected to said printing device.

24. (currently amended) The printing device of claim 18, further comprising a programmable controller programmed to scan headers of a number of data packets ~~packet~~ headers for said identifier.

25. (currently amended) The printing device of ~~claim 20~~ claim 24, wherein said programmable controller is programmed to query ~~[[a]]~~ said database to obtain identification information associated with said identifier.

26. (currently amended) The printing device of ~~claim 20~~ claim 25, wherein said programmable controller is programmed to determine a source location of said data packet based on said identification information.

27. (original) The printing device of claim 18, further comprising an embedded web server.

28. (original) The printing device of claim 18, further comprising a user interface.

29. (currently amended) A system for configuring a printing device, said system comprising:

means for extracting an identifier from an incoming print job identifying a client submitting said print job; and

means for dynamically modifying printing device settings based on said identifier, wherein said printing device settings comprise settings associated with parameters selected from the group consisting of resolution, amount of ink used, amount of toner used, addition of letterhead, addition of a logo, addition of a signature, and combinations thereof.

30. (original) The system of claim 29, further comprising:

means for scanning data packets of said print job for said identifier;

means for querying a database to obtain settings for said printing device associated with said identifier; and

means for configuring said printing device according to said settings associated with said identifier.

31. (original) The system of claim 30, wherein said means for querying a database comprise:

means for determining a location associated with said identifier; and

means for retrieving settings for said printing device associated with said location.

32. (currently amended) The system of claim 30, wherein said means for configuring said printing device ~~function~~ occurs automatically when [[a]] said print job is received.

33. (original) The system of claim 30, wherein said means for scanning comprises means for searching header data for said identifier.

34. (original) The system of claim 30, further comprising means for storing said identifier in printing device memory.

35. (original) The system of claim 30, wherein said database is organized such that each identifier is associated with a set of printing device settings.

36. (original) The system of claim 30, wherein said database is organized such that each identifier is associated with a client location and a set of printing device settings.

37. (original) The system of claim 30, wherein said database is stored in printing device memory.

38. (original) The system of claim 30, wherein said database is stored on a network server.

39. (original) The system of claim 30, wherein said database is stored on a web server or Internet server.

40. (original) The system of claim 30, further comprising means for requiring authentication to access said database.

41. (original) The system of claim 29, wherein said identifier comprises an IP address.

42. (currently amended) The system of claim 29, further comprising means for determining a group to which said ~~printing device~~ client belongs based on said identifier.

43. (original) The method of claim 42, further comprising means for configuring said printing device according to settings specified for members of said group.

44. (currently amended) A computer readable medium having computer executable instructions thereon which, when executed, cause a printing device to:

scan a print job for an identifier;

obtain configuration settings associated with said identifier; and

configure said printing device according to said configuration settings,

wherein said configuration settings comprise settings associated with parameters selected from the group consisting of resolution, amount of ink used, amount of toner used, addition of letterhead, addition of a logo, addition of a signature, and combinations thereof.

45. (currently amended) The medium of claim 44, wherein said instructions further cause said printing device to:

identify a location of a client device submitting said print job based on said identifier₁[[; and]]

wherein the step of obtaining configuration settings associated with said identifier
comprises ~~obtain~~ obtaining configuration settings associated with said location.